automated teller machine, automated loan machine, and automated device for receiving deposits. An RSU may be equipped with a telephone or televideo device that allows contact with bank personnel. An RSU is not a "branch" within the meaning of 12 U.S.C. 36(j), and is not subject to state geographic or operational restrictions or licensing laws

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## § 7.4004 Establishment and operation of a deposit production office by a national bank.

(a) General rule. A national bank or its operating subsidiary may engage in deposit production activities at a site other than the main office or a branch of the bank. A deposit production office (DPO) may solicit deposits, provide information about deposit products, and assist persons in completing application forms and related documents to open a deposit account. A DPO is not a branch within the meaning of 12 U.S.C. 36(j) and 12 CFR 5.30(d)(1) so long as it does not receive deposits, pay withdrawals, or make loans. All deposit and withdrawal transactions of a bank customer using a DPO must be performed by the customer, either in person at the main office or a branch office of the bank, or by mail, electronic transfer, or a similar method of transfer.

(b) Services of other persons. A national bank may use the services of, and compensate, persons not employed by the bank in its deposit production activities.

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#### § 7.4005 Combination of loan production office, deposit production office, and remote service unit.

A location at which a national bank operates a loan production office (LPO), a deposit production office (DPO), and a remote service unit (RSU) is not a "branch" within the meaning of 12 U.S.C. 36(j) by virtue of that com-

bination. Since an LPO, DPO, or RSU is not, individually, a branch under 12 U.S.C. 36(j), any combination of these facilities at one location does not create a branch.

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# §7.4006 Applicability of State law to national bank operating subsidiaries.

Unless otherwise provided by Federal law or OCC regulation, State laws apply to national bank operating subsidiaries to the same extent that those laws apply to the parent national bank.

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#### PART 8—ASSESSMENT OF FEES

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AUTHORITY: 12 U.S.C. 93a, 481, 482, 1867, 3102, and 3108; 15 U.S.C. 78c and 78l; and 26 D.C. Code 102

### §8.1 Scope and application.

The assessments contained in this part are made pursuant to the authority contained in 12 U.S.C. 93A, 481, 482 and 3102; 15 U.S.C. 78 c and 1; and 26 D.C. Code 102.

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#### §8.2 Semiannual assessment.

(a) Each national bank and each District of Columbia bank shall pay to the Comptroller of the Currency a semiannual assessment fee, due by January 31 and July 31 of each year, for the sixmonth period beginning 30 days before each payment date. The amount of the semiannual assessment paid by each bank is computed as follows:

If the bank's total assets (consolidated domestic and foreign subsidiaries) are:		The semiannual assessment is:		
		This amount—	Plus	Of avenue over
Over—	But not over—	Base amount	Marginal rates	Of excess over—
Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D	Column E
Million	Million			Million
\$0	\$2	X1	0	
2	20	X2	Y1	\$2
20	100	X3	Y2	20
100	200	X4	Y3	100
200	1,000	X5	Y4	200
1,000	2,000	X6	Y5	1,000
2,000	6,000	X7	Y6	2,000
6,000	20,000	X8	Y7	6,000
20,000	40,000	X9	Y8	20,000
40,000		X10	Y9	40,000

- (b)(1) Each Federal branch and each Federal agency shall pay to the Comptroller of the Currency on or before January 31 and July 31 of each year a semiannual assessment fee for the six month period beginning thirty days before each payment date.
- (2) The amount of the semiannual assessment paid by each Federal branch and Federal agency shall be computed at the same rate as provided in the Table in 12 CFR 8.2(a); however, only the total domestic assets of the Federal branch or Federal agency shall be subject to assessment.
- (3) Each semiannual assessment of each Federal branch or Federal agency is based upon the total assets shown in the Call Report most recently preceding the payment date. The assessment shall be computed in the manner and on the form provided by the OCC. Each Federal branch or Federal agency subject to the jurisdiction of the OCC on the date of the second and fourth Call Reports is subject to the full assessment for the next six month period.
- (4)(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, the OCC may reduce the semiannual assessment for each non-lead Federal branch or agency by an amount that it will specify in the Notice of Comptroller of the Currency Fees described in §8.8.
- (ii) For purposes of this paragraph (b)(4):
- (A) Lead Federal branch or agency means the largest Federal branch or agency of a foreign bank, based on a comparison of the total assets held by each Federal branch or agency of that foreign bank as reported in each Fed-

- eral branch's or agency's Call Report filed for the quarter immediately preceding the payment of a semiannual assessment.
- (B) Non-lead Federal branch or agency means a Federal branch or Federal agency that is not the lead Federal branch or agency of a foreign bank that controls two or more Federal branches or agencies.
- (c) Additional assessment for independent credit card banks—(1) General rule. In addition to the assessment calculated according to paragraph (a) of this section, each independent credit card bank will pay an assessment based on receivables attributable to credit card accounts owned by the bank. This assessment will be computed by adding to its asset-based assessment an additional amount determined by its level of receivables attributable. The dollar amount of the additional assessment will be published in the "Notice of Comptroller of the Currency Notice of Fees," described at §8.8.
- (2) Credit card banks affiliated with full-service national banks. The OCC will assess an independent credit card bank in accordance with paragraph (c)(1) of this section, notwithstanding that the bank is affiliated with a full-service national bank, if the OCC concludes that the affiliation is intended to evade this part.
- (3) *Definitions*. For purposes of this paragraph (c), the following definitions apply:
- (i) Affiliate has the same meaning as this term has in 12 U.S.C. 221a(b).

- (ii) Engaged primarily in card operations means a bank described in section 2(c)(2)(F) of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1841(c)(2)(F)) or whose ratio of total gross receivables attributable to the bank's balance sheet assets exceeds 50%.
- (iii) Full-service national bank is a national bank that generates more than 50% of its interest and non-interest income from activities other than credit card operations or trust activities and is authorized according to its charter to engage in all types of permissible banking activities.
- (iv) Independent credit card bank is a national bank that engages primarily in credit card operations and is not affiliated with a full-service national bank.
- (v) Receivables attributable is the total amount of outstanding balances due on credit card accounts owned by an independent credit card bank (the receivables attributable to those accounts) on the last day of the assessment period, minus receivables retained on the bank's balance sheet as of that day.
- (4) Reports of receivables attributable. Independent credit card banks will report receivables attributable data to the OCC semiannually at a time specified by the OCC.
- (d) Surcharge based on the condition of the bank. Subject to any limit that the OCC prescribes in the Notice of the Comptroller of the Currency Fees, the OCC shall apply a surcharge to the semiannual assessment computed in accordance with paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section. This surcharge will be determined by multiplying the semiannual assessment computed in accordance with paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section by—
- (1) 1.5, in the case of any bank that receives a composite rating of 3 under the Uniform Financial Institutions Rating System (UFIRS) and any Federal branch or agency that receives a composite rating of 3 under the ROCA rating system (which rates risk management, operational controls, compliance, and asset quality) at its most recent examination; and
- (2) 2.0, in the case of any bank that receives a composite UFIRS rating of 4 or 5 and any Federal branch or agency that receives a composite rating of 4 or

5 under the ROCA rating system at its most recent examination.

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### $\S 8.6$ Fees for special examinations and investigations.

- (a) Fees. Pursuant to the authority contained in 12 U.S.C. 481 and 482, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency assesses a fee for:
- (1) Examining the fiduciary activities of national and District of Columbia banks and related entities;
- (2) Conducting special examinations and investigations of national banks, District of Columbia banks, and Federal branches or Federal agencies of foreign banks;
- (3) Conducting special examinations and investigations of an entity with respect to its performance of activities described in section 7(c) of the Bank Service Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1867(c)), if the OCC determines that assessment of the fee is warranted with regard to a particular bank because of the high risk or unusual nature of the activities performed; the significance to the bank's operations and income of the activities performed; or the extent to which the bank has sufficient systems, controls, and personnel to adequately monitor, measure, and control risks arising from such activities;
- (4) Conducting special examinations and investigations of affiliates of national banks, District of Columbia banks, and Federal branches or Federal agencies of foreign banks; and
- (5) Conducting examinations and investigations made pursuant to 12 CFR part 5, Rules, Policies, and Procedures for Corporate Activities.
- (b) Notice of Comptroller of the Currency Fees. The OCC publishes the fee schedule for fiduciary activities, special examinations and investigations, examinations of affiliates and examinations related to corporate activities in the Notice of Comptroller of the Currency Fees described in §8.8.
- (c) Additional assessments on trust banks. (1) Independent trust banks. The